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SUBJ: ASIAN REPRESENTATION ON UN CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

REF: A) TOKYO 12546; B) STATE 212517; C) STATE 210887

1. UN POLITICAL AFFAIRS DIVISION OF MOFA QUERIED GOJ
UN MISSION AS PROMISED REF A AND HAS RECEIVED REPLY THAT
REOPENING QUESTION OF MONGOLIA'S SELECTION (WITH PRC)
AS ASIAN REPRESENTATIVE ON CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE WOULD BE
"EXTREMELY DIFFICULT".

2. DEPDIVDIR NAKAMOTO TOLD EMBOFF THAT ACCORDING GOJ
MISSION, "SOME DAYS AGO" IN ASIAN GROUP MEETING MALAYSIAN
CHAIRMAN HAD ANNOUNCED THAT PRC WOULD RETAIN CREDENTIALS
COMMITTEE SEAT AND THAT OTHER SEAT WOULD GO TO "FIRST
BIDDER." MONGOLIA WAS FIRST, AND CHAIRMAN IMMEDIATELY
NOTIFIED UNGA PRESIDENT THAT PRC AND MONGOLIA WOULD
REPRESENT ASIA. GOJ MISSION DID NOT EXPLAIN WHY DECISION,
GIVEN WHAT WE AND NAKAMOTO CONSIDER UNUSUAL PROCEDURE, WOULD
BE "EXTREMELY DIFFICULT" TO CHALLENGE. NAKAMOTO COMMENTED
GOJ MISSION PROBABLY AVERSE TO HAVING CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE
SEAT ITSELF.

3. UN BUREAU IS MIFFED THAT MISSION HAD NOT REPORTED THIS
DEVELOPMENT AND MAY YET BE WILLING TO INSTRUCT THAT MISSION
REOPEN QUESTION. WE WILL URGE FONOFF SO TO
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INSTRUCT JUN, IF DEPT CONCURS. ANY

NEW APPROACH WE MAKE SHOULD BE SUPPORTED BY DETAILED
GUIDANCE FROM DEPT. IN PARTICULAR, WE NEED ASSESSMENT OF
ADVERSE CONSEQUENCES RESULTING FROM MONGOLIAN
MEMBERSHIP.
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